

Western Highway Project: Section 3- Ararat to Stawell

Incorporated Document

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document is an incorporated document in the Ararat and Northern Grampians Planning Schemes pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

The land identified in this document may be used or developed in accordance with the controls in this document.

The controls in this document prevail over any contrary or inconsistent provision in the Ararat and Northern Grampians Planning Schemes.

2.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of the controls in this document is to allow the use and development of land for the purposes of the Western Highway Project, Section 3- Ararat to Stawell.

3.0 LAND

The controls in this document apply to the land shown in Figure 1: Western Highway Project- Section 3 Project Area.

The land specified in this document is referred to as the Western Highway Project, Section 3 (Ararat to Stawell).

4.0 CONTROLS

Despite any provision to the contrary or any inconsistent provision in the Ararat or Northern Grampians Planning Schemes, no planning permit is required for, and no restrictions or prohibitions apply, to use or the development of the Western Highway Section 3 Project Area as shown in Figure 1, for:

- Buildings, works and any maintenance associated with the duplication of the Western Highway.
- Removal, lopping and destruction of vegetation, including native vegetation, provided it is undertaken in accordance with the Native Vegetation Assessment approved in accordance with Section 5.3 of this control.
- Activities ancillary to any of the abovementioned matters including, but not limited to:
 - Creating and using lay down areas for construction purposes.
 - Demolishing and/or decommissioning buildings, structures, and works on sites not located within a Heritage Overlay within the Ararat or Northern Grampians Planning Scheme.
 - Altering watercourses.
 - Constructing fences, walls and barriers.
 - Creating or altering access to a road in a Road Zone to the satisfaction of the Roads Corporation (VicRoads).
 - Constructing and using temporary site workshops and storage, administration and amenity buildings.
 - Undertaking earthworks including to construct the road, create bunds, mounds, batters, landscaping and wetlands and otherwise to excavate land, salvage artefacts and alter drainage and utilities.

- Any subdivision or consolidation of land required in order to establish a continuous road reserve for works associated with the Western Highway Project;

These controls are subject to the conditions in Section 5 of this document.

5.0 CONDITIONS

- 5.1 The use, development and the ancillary activities specified in Section 4 of this document must be for the Western Highway Project, Section 3 Ararat to Stawell (as shown in Figure 1) and undertaken by or on behalf of the Roads Corporation (VicRoads).
- 5.2 Environmental Management Framework (EMF)
Prior to the commencement of any buildings or works associated with the project, an EMF or equivalent document must be prepared for the project, including relevant requirements as described in the Minister for Planning's Assessment under the *Environment Effects Act 1978*. The EMF or equivalent document needs to be submitted to and endorsed by the Secretary of DTPLI (or delegate).
- 5.3 Construction Environmental Management Plan(s)
Consistent with the staging of works, and prior to the commencement of construction or carrying out of any buildings or works, Construction Environmental Management Plan(s) must be prepared in consultation with DEPI, the relevant municipality of Ararat Rural City Council and or Northern Grampians Shire Council, and meet the requirements of the EMF or equivalent document, and then submitted to, and endorsed by the Secretary of DTPLI (or delegate).
- 5.4 Native Vegetation Management Plan
A native vegetation management plan detailing additional measures to reduce the impacts on native vegetation and listed ecological communities, identified during the detailed design stage, be prepared to the satisfaction of DEPI and DoE before construction commences.
- 5.5 Native Vegetation Offset Strategy
Prior to the removal of native vegetation, an Offset Strategy must be prepared in accordance with "Permitted clearing of native vegetation - Biodiversity assessment guidelines" to the satisfaction of the DEPI. Any offsets required for the Project must be secured within 12 months of vegetation removal.
- 5.6 Threatened Species Management Plan
Prior to the commencement of construction or carrying out of any buildings or works in areas where Threatened Species are present, Threatened Species Management Plans must be prepared in consultation with DEPI and DoE and then be submitted to, and endorsed by the Secretary of DEPI (or delegate), including for the Trailing Hop-bush and Golden Sun Moth.
- 5.7 Groundwater Management Plan
Prior to the commencement of construction or carrying out of any works, a Groundwater Management Plan must be prepared in consultation with and for the endorsement of the Wimmera CMA and Glenelg Hopkins CMA, to assist with the confirmation of any measures necessary to minimise the potential for adverse effects on groundwater and any relevant Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems. The Groundwater Management Plan is to be supported by geotechnical investigations to establish the locations and characteristics of groundwater to be intersected by the project.

5.8 Flood Mitigation Report

Prior to the commencement of construction or carrying out any works, a Flood Mitigation Report must be prepared in consultation with the Wimmera CMA, to assist with the confirmation of any measures necessary to minimise the potential for adverse effects around the township of Great Western. Consultation with potentially affected landowners must be carried out to the satisfaction of the Wimmera CMA.

5.9 Flood Mitigation Works for Waterway Crossings

Prior to the commencement of construction or carrying out of any works, a detailed design of waterway crossings and flood mitigation measures must be prepared in consultation with and for the endorsement of the Wimmera CMA.

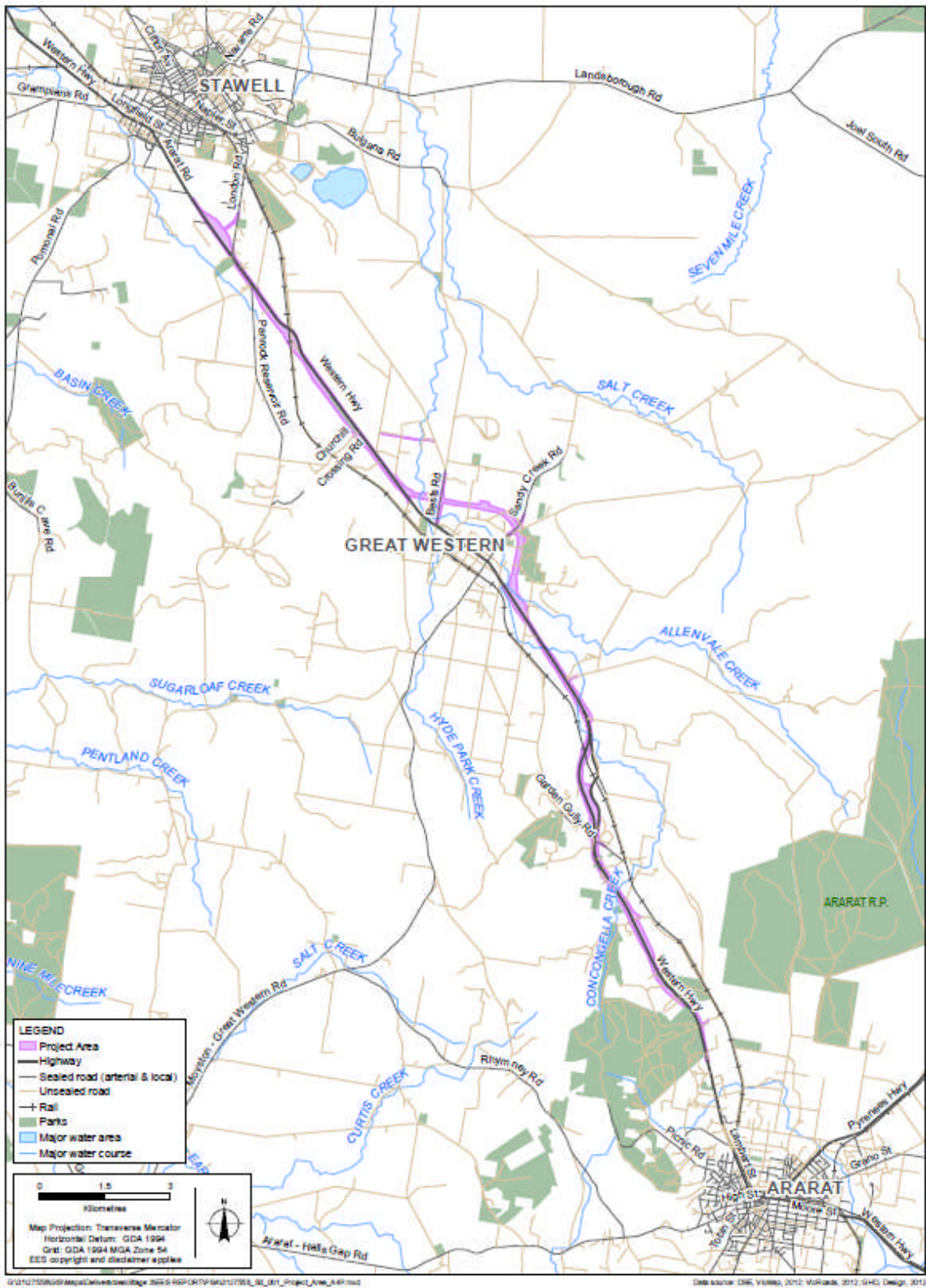


Figure 1: Western Highway Project - Section 3 Project Area